



VICTORY'S HALO!

Surmounts the Honest
Brow of Carter H.
Harrison.

The Shafts and Arrows
of Hate and
Malignity

Lie Broken and Shiver-
ered at His
Feet,

While His Unexampled
Record as a Pub-
lic Man

And His Glorious Achieve-
ments as a City
Official

Retain for Him the Regard of
Chicago's Voters.

The Hon. Carter H. Harrison will be
the next Mayor of Chicago.

The lowest estimate placed upon
his majority is 25,000 over all.

The uprising and outpouring of the
people for Harrison is something
unprecedented and unheard of.

It is a protest against the falsifiers
and slanderers who have been insult-
ing his honest name.

Every weapon in the power of a
hostile press has been used against
his candidacy in vain.

The only effect of the unparalleled
abuse to which this great public man
has been subjected, has been to drive
thousands of Republicans to his sup-
port.

And now upon the dawn of vic-
tory, the battle which is won will
show in its results that it is the peo-
ple who have triumphed.

The most sanguine Allerton men
do not claim over four wards out of
the thirty-four wards in the city.

In fact, it is hard to see how they
are going to get that many.

The vote is going to be so large and
the desire to vote for Harrison so
great that his friends will best con-
sult their convenience by voting
early.

Vote early!
Vote the straight ticket!
Vote for Carter H. Harrison!
Vote for clean streets!
Vote for pure water!
Vote for the ticket which guaran-
tees genuine reform!



WINNERS ALL!

Democratic Town Tick-
ets Sure to Pull
Through.

Taxpayers Certain to
Give Them Their
Support.

The Battle in All the
Wards Getting
Warm.

Sketch of South Town
Collector S. G.
Miller.

Ex-Assessor Chase Indorses
James W. Craw-
ford.

Interesting Information
About Candidates
and Others.

The Democratic tickets in the
West, North, and South Towns of
Chicago are certain of election. Mr.
Dennis Considine, the candidate for
Supervisor in the West Town, is an
old-time printer, and the boys of the



Typographical Union are unani-
mously in favor of his election.

Mr. Timothy E. Ryan, the next
Assessor of the West Town, is a
stern citizen and good business
man, who ought to, and who will,
win.

VOTE FOR HANTON.

The Next Alderman from the Twentieth
Is Honest and Capable.

Mr. Thomas Hanton, the next Al-
derman from the Twentieth Ward,
has lived all of his life within the
precincts of the district he seeks to
represent.

He is honest.

He is capable.

He is industrious.

Not one word can be said against
his fair name, and he deserves and
will receive the enthusiastic support
of the best people in his ward.

Vote for him!

Assessor West Town.

Tim Ryan will poll a larger vote
this spring than ever before. He has
been tried and found to be the best

FACTS FOR VOTERS.

**Temperate and Straightforward Presenta-
tion of the True Issues of
the Campaign.**

**How the Newspaper Combine Deluded and
Befogged the Public and Dictated
a Ticket.**

**High-handed Attempts to Suppress Free
Speech, and by False Pretenses Foist a
Capitalistic Newspaper Dictator-
ship upon Chicago.**

The most atrocious crime
against our franchises and the greatest
menace to liberty is suppression of free
speech—to throttle fair opinion and shut
off from the people that which they
should know in order to render unbiased
judgment and guide their course thereby
in matters vital to their interests and
necessary to their freedom of action.

To characterize it moderately and tem-
perately, this crime under the guise of
"reform" is being perpetrated in Chicago
to-day.

THE CHICAGO "NEWSPAPER TRUST."
A newspaper rightfully considered is a
public trust. It is, or should be, of and
belong to the people and be subject to
their suzerainty, inclinations and desires,
giving them fair and honest information
upon which to base their independent
action. It should be the personal organ
of no man or set of men nor the medium
of any special interest, but should be
kept as free as possible from entangling
engagements and alliances for any pur-
pose whatever, the better to merit and
exemplify the freedom and liberty vouch-
safed the American press.

Through a combination of long and
almost invulnerable standing, known as
"The Trust," the newspapers of Chicago
are engaged in a criminal attempt to
browbeat, deceive and mislead the people
instead of following the lines of liberty
laid down for them by the people. In-
stead of a preceptor the Chicago press
has become an oppressor. To guide
public sentiment is a legitimate tenet of
journalism; to manufacture sentiment
upon a false premise, to vent personal
spite or further private ends, is a crime
against the public and the free franchise
of the press and an abuse of power and
opportunity which is a glaring example
of the tendencies of all trusts and un-
licensed corporations against which the
people revolt and must oppose to the
end, in order to preserve their liberties
unimpaired.

Shades of Ben Franklin, honest Hor-
ace Greely, stalwart George H. Prentiss
or justice-loving and liberal George W.
Childs, to what a despicable stage has
the press of this typical American city
finally come!

The infamous "newspaper trust,"
owned, conducted and controlled by a
few capitalists, and which is doubly in-
famous, un-American and dangerous to
our institutions, in that like other un-
popular and oppressive trusts it not only
restricts individual efforts and puts an
iron compress upon brains and talent,
but that it is intolerant to all except its
own imperial sway and subservient only
to the personal will or whims of a few
would-be dictators, whose qualifications
and methods of business dealing are not
superior to the average and best illus-
trated by the fact that they have com-
bined together in a trust in order to
crush competition, lessen wages, cheapen
ability and promote their own special
ends—this inquisitorial junta that has
tried to foist upon the public the dictates
of a political trust, a degrading combina-
tion that so readily may be subversive
of right and justice, repressive of correct
and uncolored information and menacing
to all the liberties of the people; this un-
lawful star-chamber coterie, to enforce
personal ideas that may be narrow and
bigoted, or born in personal interest or
prejudice, or springing from private an-
imosities, desires through the medium
of united action, which clearly is an in-
fringement of our laws against conspiracy,
even as their private blacklist is this
license to parody on a free and untram-
meled press, not content with the united
effort to malign and break down all who
have the courage to assert their man-
hood and independence and opposition
to its lordly behests, goes to still further
deliberately, while hypocritically
claiming to be for fairness and honesty,
deliberately steals from the people the
medium through which they may learn
that there are two sides to a question
and that justice and right may be attained
and be common to all, and by its
intimidation and power.

No matter how many of the machinations
of conspirators of the trust and their
lawless and unscrupulous beneficiaries, it may

be stated that during the last ten days
of the canvass preceding the late demo-
cratic primaries it came to the knowl-
edge of the friends and supporters of the
Hon. Carter H. Harrison from many
reliable sources that the editors of *The
Chicago Times* were being bought up and
suppressed in various parts of the city
where his political opponents sought to
weaken and destroy his popularity and
strength with the voters. Attributing
this act of vandalism and dishonesty to
an individual or the necessities of a rival
organ, nothing was said regarding it in
the columns of *The Times*, but the editors
of that paper were at once largely
increased. But the dastardly work of
choking off free expression and depriving
the public of a medium through which
an honestly and fairly nominated candi-
date for the mayoralty may present his
side of the contest has again begun on
so general and wide a scale that the con-
viction forces itself that the work of
suppressing *The Times*, and consequently
of free speech, is the result of united
action.

To do it requires money and a general
organized plan of work.
The people ought to, and undoubtedly
will resent this dastardly and high-
handed suppression of free speech and
interference with their liberties and right
of independent action.

It has even been intimated from inside
"trust" sources that on the slightest pre-
text or chance Carter H. Harrison will
be counted "out"—in other words, if the
election could be made close and his ma-
jority small, he would be deprived of his
rights and the "trust" would suppress
all protest that might arise over the
wrong and outrage done him.

SOME SAMPLES OF MISREPRESENTATION.

That Carter H. Harrison has been
magnified is proved out of the mouths of
his traducers. There is not a paper, save
one, in the city whose files do not show
that comparisons under Mayor Roche,
Mayor Cregier and Mayor Washburne
were made with Mr. Harrison's admin-
istration, all in criticism of the acts of
the other mayors and always to the
advantage of Mr. Harrison.

It has been charged, reiterated and
harped upon that the late primaries were
run by "thugs" and the convention by a
mob of "heelers." What are the facts?
The First Ward is the ward of the
"thugs" and "heelers." It went against
Carter Harrison. On the West Side the
same element, under the leadership of
Mike McDonald, opposed him. The day
before the primaries the *Herald* and *Post*
gloated over the fact that the redoubtable
"Mike" was against Harrison. After
Mr. Harrison's triumph over the
"thugs" and their unscrupulous allies for
personal ends some of the organs of the
trust boldly declared that McDonald was
with Harrison. Here is consistency and
justice!

At the republican primaries there was
shooting and cutting done by their
"gang" in the 2d and 9th wards, the
atrocious and horrible details and facts
of which the "trust" organs suppressed.

The organs of the "trust" demanded an
early convention and to this Mr. Harri-
son assented, if he could be assured of
big and free primaries. It stands to
reason that if he controlled the "tough"
element he would have wanted restricted
and small primaries. But he knew if the
people had a fair show he would carry
the primaries and have an overwhelming
majority of delegates in the convention.
The result of the large primaries was his
great triumph.

In the so-called German wards stood
Washington Hering off. To the unpre-
judiced observer of events it would appear
that this fact "galls" Mr. Hering even
more than the fact of his outright defeat
in the city at large. Mr. Harrison has no
quarrel with Mr. Hering, but he believes
his present course misguided, the result
of pique and thwarted ambition which
time will easily heal; and he does not be-
lieve the democratic party of this city, the
majority of which spoke at the primaries
and which will unitedly speak again in
the election, will countenance or sym-
patize with the present attitude of Mr.
Hering, nor does he believe the citizens of
German birth or antecedents, who were
ever his friends and supporters, will sus-
tain Mr. Hering in his present course.

As to the convention proper, it was as
representative a body of democrats as
ever gathered in this city. Knowing
they had the control, Mr. Harrison's
friends admitted many contesting dele-
gates who in a closer convention would
have been barred. As to the charge that
the convention was "packed," the hall
was in charge of the City Central Com-
mittee, a majority of the members of
which were then opposed to Mr. Harrison.
The only "packing" that was done was
in one gallery, where the votes were loud-
ed for another candidate. Tickets for
this gallery were contributed. Mr.
Harrison's campaign committee have the
affidavit of a respectable printing firm that
a pond of the type form of this ticket

was brought to them by an ex-member
of the police force under Mr. Cregier who
wanted more tickets printed, saying that
the office where the first lot were printed
had run out of cardboard of the proper
color.

As to the alleged use of money, it was
known to the Harrison committee that
two of the best known "boss" gamblers
were out with money until 2 o'clock in
the morning of the day of the conven-
tion to see what could be done to fix up
delegates against Harrison, and when
they found that they would practically
have to buy one-half of the convention
they gave it up as a hopeless job and
went home in disgust. The committee
have the affidavit of a Central Commit-
tee man and chairman of a delegation
that he was offered \$2,500 to de-
liver his delegation against Harrison
and declined the proffered bribe. The
candidate who bellows fraud loudest had
men on the floor of the convention with
\$25,000 to put in practice the Hering-
Jaka Rehm methods which character-
ize their whole record in politics. The
only other place where money was used,
so far as is known to the Harrison com-
mittee, was in the Sixth and Seventh
Wards, where judges and clerks of the
primaries were bought right and left
early in the morning before the primary
polls were opened.

Over 60,000 votes were polled at pri-
maries held under the strict provisions
of the state law; 531 of the 681 delegates
in the convention voted for Mr. Harrison.

MORE OF THE NEWSPAPER OPPOSITION.

To return to the newspaper opposition.
It is but natural that the trust organs do
not want a rival newspaper publisher and
editor put at the head of city affairs. The
animus of the *Herald's* attacks are now
pretty plainly understood. John R.
Walsh, who conducts the *Herald* and
brokerage business, was always an
enemy to Mr. Harrison on account of
adverse business interests. In *The Times*
the *Herald* sees a dangerous democratic
rival. If Mr. Harrison should be vin-
dicated and elected Mayor of Chicago *The
Times* would at once be looked upon as
the leading and only democratic organ of
the northwest. Furthermore John R.
Walsh's bank would be deprived of any
possible chance of drawing interest on
city funds.

The borrowing mendicant officeholder
and place-seeker Barney Niebling is un-
fit for the great position of City Treasurer,
his friends having had to make good his
trusts heretofore. The candidate for City
Attorney, McShane, is a vealy boy. Al-
lerton's record shows him to be a skin-
dinner and schemer. The illiteracy of the
rich pork-packer is making him the
laughing-stock of the very people his
nomination was meant to please. Such
is the ticket the trust is forced to present
to the voters.

The *Staats-Zeitung*, as a newspaper
vehicle, has ever been an anomaly. After
years of effort to push itself among an
intelligent, wealthy and thriving com-
munity it has a circulation of about
7,500 copies. That its name and appar-
ent prestige has been profitable to its
interests is well known and has been the
subject of common remark among news-
paper men and politicians for years.

It has grown to be an adage that the
Staats-Zeitung is a trader and is purely
and simply "on the make." It considers
that taking pay for supporting a candi-
date is perfectly legitimate. It has taken
republican money and democratic money.
Its support of Carter Harrison for mayor
two years ago was paid for at the rate
of \$1 a line for everything said in his
favor and two columns a day were paid
for in addition. Four years ago, when
Mr. Harrison was running for governor
in the Cleveland campaign, he was ap-
proached by Chairman Barnum of the
National Democratic Committee who
informed him that the *Staats-Zeitung*
could, for the sum of \$25,000, be brought
to support the Cleveland ticket and Mr.
Harrison for governor. The National
committee proposed, as they were short
of funds, that Mr. Harrison put up one-
half of the money. Mr. Harrison replied
that while he would appreciate the sup-
port of the *Staats-Zeitung* he did not
think it would be worth \$12,500 in cash,
and that as what money he had put aside
for campaign expenses was already as-
signed to me, he would, if the National
committee were hard up, advance them
\$12,500, taking their due bill therefor to
be repaid at some future time. He did
so advance the money and was credibly
informed that the \$25,000 was paid over
to the *Staats-Zeitung*. He yet holds the
due bill of the National committee, which
has never been paid.

It will thus be seen that Mr. Harrison
has been liberal to his party and generous
well at their hands, notwithstanding
the attacks upon him by traders,
venalists and unscrupulous opponents.

As a citizen and the citizen he has
no apologies to make for his actions,
though ready to acknowledge that he is

as liable as any public man to errors of
judgment or of action. His enemies
even acknowledge that he gave the
city the best business administration it
ever had, not excepting that of his prede-
cessor the Hon. M. moe Heath. There
have been cries for reform and many
changes of administration have ensued,
all of which have been denounced by the
"trust" newspapers as conspicuous fail-
ures. Mr. Harrison is as anxious for
good municipal rule, honest improve-
ments, civil-service regulated depart-
ments and clean streets as any other tax-
paying citizen. He does not believe that
there are no other citizens who can bring
about the desired improvements and
reforms, but he does believe that in the
light of his experience and readiness to
assume command that, aside from the
united and harmonious interests of his
party, he is peculiarly well adapted and
qualified to serve as the World's Fair
Mayor of Chicago.

In the opinion of the Democratic party
of Chicago, whose municipal platform is
clear, straight-forward and progressive,
no other man named for the office pos-
sesses these qualifications in so great a
degree. The people of this city know
Carter H. Harrison and are able to judge
of his good qualities as well as those his
opponents pronounce bad. The present
failing and helpless administration is
evidence of what will again follow from
choosing an untried and inexperienced
man, no matter how high his standing
or how good his intentions may be. No
matter who the mayor might be he would
be besieged by the office-seekers. If a so-
called non-partisan he would be handi-
capped by an "advisory committee" or
the demands and influences of the inter-
meddling and despotic "newspaper
trust."

That this would be the case is fully il-
lustrated by the treatment the "trust"
have accorded the Hon. Lyman J. Gage,
than whom no more honest, modest and
courteous gentleman honors us with his
citizenship. When he refused to be made
the creature and victim of the news-
paper ring, three of their organs turned
upon and ranted him most shamefully.
This is an example of what would have
happened from the same source had he
ever entered upon the duties of Mayor.
After coquetting with the "newspaper
trust" for choice, the republicans have
finally placed a candidate in the field
whom the trust organs forced upon them
and are supporting perforce. They take
the only course and last desperate resort
to save themselves from repudiation and
odium.

Republican "gang" politicians are
managing the Allerton furore, and are
swallowed whole by the unprincipled
"trust." George B. Swift, whom the
trust organs were denouncing not long
ago for his "gang" methods of organiza-
tion and for his rotten tunnel contracts
under Mayor Roche, was the immacu-
late chairman of their hybrid conven-
tion, and is managing the Allerton
distribution of Stock Yards and Wash-
ington race track boodle.

That defeated trickster ex-Coroner
Hertz and the able spoils organizers
Chris. Mamer and the repudiated "Billy"
Lorimer are the most active Allerton
lieutenants. How long since it is that
the trust organs were exhorting "Ma-
merism" and "Hertzism" and Lorimer
water-office frauds?

What abuses existed and what faults
were found when Mr. Harrison was
Mayor were faults and abuses of a sys-
tem and which have grown with the phe-
nomenal growth of the city and cannot
be attributed to Carter Harrison. They
still exist, though three changes of ad-
ministration have been tried and found
wanting. Mr. Harrison is as competent
and able to reform these abuses and as
willing to make the effort as any man.
At any rate it must be through the me-
dium and sturdy direction of one of the
organized, regular parties and not
through any irresponsible "citizens'" or
"people's" movement, all of which have
shown their incompetency in this city
and elsewhere.

There is much to do before the World's Fair
is fully under way—improvements to make
that will require good judgment and an eye
to the finances. We present to the taxpayers
a man who is tried and ready, who found
the treasury empty and left it \$2,600,000
whose paved streets and public works stand
as monuments to his former administration
—a man of the people and a popular man
whom the people want. He will administer
the affairs of this great city on business
principles. He will step into office qualified by
experience ready to take up the reins of gov-
ernment. The office-seekers will not drive
him into a hole; he will not have to har-
ass the donors as courted himself with
quads. He will greet an audience in all
and will refuse to be bulldozed or imposed
upon. The voters, without respect to party
or personal affection, will make him Mayor
for the reason that he is tried and his election
will save to the city at least three months
of the time now required to prepare for
the world's fair, which a less experienced man
would consume in securing the estimates of
the Mayor's position.